

The Blood Of Jesus Christ (1 John 1:1-10)

Proposition: Every living breathing person on this planet can lay hold on the eternal benefits of God's saving ability by understanding the three critical attributes of the saving blood of Christ found in the verse of our focus today.

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- A. A Subject of Old Testament Declaration
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- A. A Specific Source (...*of Jesus...*)
- B. A Spotless Source (...*Christ...*)
- C. A Sovereign Source (... *his Son...*)

III. The Sweeping Sufficiency of the Blood

- A. A Cleansing Sufficiency (...*cleanseth us...*)
- B. A Complete Sufficiency (...*from all sin.*)

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Many years ago a great parliament of world religions was held in the city of Chicago. Practically every known religion in the world was represented. During one of the sessions, Dr. Joseph Cook of Boston, suddenly rose to his feet. "I want to introduce to you, a woman with great sorrow. Bloodstains are on her hands, and nothing she has tried will remove them. The blood is that of murder. She has been driven to desperation in her distress. Now is there anything in your religion that will remove her sin and give her peace?" A hush fell upon the gathering. Not one of the vast company replied. Raising his eyes heavenward, Dr. Cook then cried out "John, can you tell this woman how to get rid of her awful sin?" The great preacher waited as if listening for a reply. Suddenly, he cried, "Listen, John speaks, 'The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin'". Not a soul broke the silence, the representatives of Eastern religions and

Western cults sat dumb. The hands of
I. The Scriptural Subject of the Blood
It is a shame that in many circles of Christianity the blood has been discreetly removed because it's just too gory. It's funny

mouses, 10, & used games to float a little ship on

A. A Subject of OT Declaration - The Old Testament can be broken into 3 distinct parts: The Law, The Prophets and the Psalms. If there is one book that represents the heart it is the priest's handbook: Leviticus. At the heart of Leviticus you find the feasts and preeminently there is the Day of Atonement, Lev 17:11. What of the Prophets? Isaiah the very heart beat of the prophets. Where do we see the heart of Isaiah Ch 53. Is 53:5. Where is the heart of the Ps 22-23-24 "The Cross, Crook, Crown" In Ps 22:16-17 the most vivid vision of Calvary we hear the psalmist sing.

B. A Subject of NT Application - Like the OT the NT can be broken up into 3 parts, the Gospels, the Epistles and the Book of Revelation. What is the heart of the Gospels John → Ch 3 → Here we find the son of man being lifted up a serpent in multitudes and vs 16 God so loved the world... gave... son." Epistles may be difficult to pinpoint heart but most would hold Romans as central importance. And despite its many wonderful chapters Ch 5 no doubt is the heart beat of the Epistle what there 5:8-9. Revelation the heart beat of Rev is Ch 1 where in vs 5 we hear the

II. The Specific Source of the Blood

In our world today it is not uncommon to hear of blood diseases: sickle cell anemia to leukemia. These diseases are reserved for very small percentages of the population. But

- 1) ...The hands of mankind are no less bloody today. Bloody with the lawless deeds of a wicked world. But thank God for the gospel truth that still rings clear: ...the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. Every living breathing person on this planet can lay hold on the eternal benefits of God's saving ability by understanding the three three critical attributes of the saving blood of Christ found in the verse of our focus today.
- 2) ...a battleship and never bat an eye. Yet God forbid we talk about it or sing about the blood in our worship. Well when it comes to God he doesn't have a problem with the subject at all.
- 3) Leviticus 17:11 *For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.* What is being said? ...the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.
- 4) Isaiah 53:5 *But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.* What is being prophesied? ...the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.
- 5) Psalms 22:16-17 ...they pierced my hands and my feet. I may tell all my bones: they look and stare upon me. What is being sung? the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.
- 6) Romans 5:8-9 But God commendeth ... Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.
- 7) ...the church singUnto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood... The blood of Jesus is a central to the scriptures salvation story! That's why the devil hates it so. That's why he longs for it to be minimized in our church houses.

- 1) ...in 100% of the worlds population. Rom 5:12...wherefore as by one man sin entered the world... The sin of Adam tainted his blood. The blood of another man can not pay the price for another. The blood of the most innocent among us, a newborn baby, can not pay the price for sin. You see saving blood is specific blood.
- 2) ...But it's not possible for an animal to stand in the place for a guilty man. The substitution must be kind for kind. Therefore in the fullness of time, God sent forth his son, the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us... thou shalt call his name Jesus! And by this heaven sent specific source, suffecient sin cleansing blood was revealed to man kind. Hebrews 9:12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. Hebrews 10:4-5 For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me:
- 3) 1 Peter 2:22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: 1 John 3:5 And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin. Hebrews 4:15 but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.
- 4) ...only available substitute available in all the history of mankind!
- 5) ...declared plainly to all who would listen that this man Jesus was the lamb of God sent to take away the sin of the world!

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A. A Specific Source - The blood of
who "Jesus," In O.T. revelation the
tainted blood of a child could not be used
as an innocent sacrifice for sin, but the blood
of an animal was used. In the eyes of the
law an animal was not held guilty of a capital
and did not have blood of Adam so as a type of
substitute the animal was used for sacrifice. But it's not
B. A Spotted Source - That little
baby lying in the crib looks so inno-
cent and pure. It's hard to believe the
running through that child's veins is the
cursed seed blood of Adam. But it's not long
that the resident curse becomes manifest outward-
ly. But in the Lord Jesus he was spotted. ③

1Pe 2:21 1Jn 3:5 Heb 4:15, The only available subst

C. A Sovereign Source - "His Son".
The source of saving blood is a Sovereign
Source. He is the only begotten of the
Father full of grace and truth. Yes
Jesus was born into this world and worked
in a carpenter's shop in Nazareth but he is God
of very God! John the Baptist stood on the banks
of Jordan river and saw clearly and declared plainly
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III. The Sweeping Sufficiency of The Blood
Sin is the delight upon beings, the scourge
of societies, the cancer of countries, the
poison of this planet. Sin defiles, degrades
it will damn

in hell forever. What is the remedy for this malady?

A. A Cleansing Sufficiency - A preacher was preaching from this very text when suddenly he was interrupted by an atheist who asked "How can blood cleanse sin?"

For a moment the preacher was silent, then he asked the atheist "How can water quench thirst I do not know, replied the atheist, "But I know that it does." Neither do I know how the blood of Jesus cleanses sin," answered the preacher "But I know it does. Eph 1:7 1 Pe 1:18 The precious blood of Jesus cleanses, pardons, it averts the punishment. It pronounces ³us just. It makes men

B. A Complete Sufficiency - "All" There are many that would lead you to believe that sure your past sins are paid in full, but future sins, you are on your own now. One false move and you could die, go out into eternity with unconfessed sin. When Jesus died on Calvary's cross, every one of your sins were in the future. All of them! I don't care where you have been, what you have done, or what depths of sin you have sunk the blood of Jesus Christ has ^{all} sin cleared for

IV. Close - Would you be free from the burden of sin? Would you or ever have a victory win? "Would you be white like snow sin & its slanders are cast in its hp going down

1) ...for this malady? What is the sure cure for our sinful condition?

Yes! The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

2) Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace; 1 Peter 1:18-19 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

3) ...makes man pure. *"The wrath of God that was my due, Upon the Lamb was laid, And by the shedding of His Blood, The debt for me was paid."*